

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: PRESSURE-SENSITIVE
ADHESIVES HAVING
MICROSTRUCTURED
SURFACES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the subject continued prosecution application filed herewith,
please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A coated substrate comprising a substrate coated on at least one side with a continuous layer of [a] an unplied pressure-sensitive adhesive, the pressure-sensitive adhesive having a microstructured surface, wherein the microstructured surface of the pressure-sensitive adhesive comprises a series of features and [wherein the lateral aspect ratio of the features range from about 0.1 to about 10] wherein at least two of three dimensions of each feature selected from the group consisting of (i) length, (ii) width, and (iii) depth or height are microscopic, wherein "microscopic" refers to features of small enough dimension so as to require an optic aid to the naked eye when viewed from any plane of view to determine its shape.

15 15. (Once Amended) The coated substrate of claim 1 wherein [three] dimensions of length, width, and depth or height of each feature are microscopic.